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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

#### **CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	Col. 1		Col. 2	Col. 3	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total Claims	* 57	Minus	** 50	= 3	x \$9	\$	x \$ 18	\$126.00
Independent Claims	* 7	Minus	*** 4	= 3	x \$42	\$	x \$ 84	\$252.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims x\$140						\$	x \$280	\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$		\$378.00

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1. \_\_\_\_ Small entity status of this application 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.

2. No additional fee is required.

3. X A check in the amount of \$378.00 is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. RUSH ET AL

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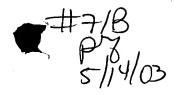
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## REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

In response to the Office action dated January 28, 2003, the above-identified patent application is hereby amended as follows.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 12 to read as follows.

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--Portable partition systems for open office spaces and other similar settings are well known in the art. Individual partition panels are interconnected in different configurations to form separate offices, workstations and/or work settings. The partition panels are extremely durable and can be readily disassembled and reassembled into alternative configurations to meet the ever-changing needs of the user. Examples of such partition systems are provided in U.S. Patent Nos. 3,822,146; 3,831,330; and 4,144,924, which are owned by Steelcase Development Corporation, the assignee of the present application.--